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TAGS: PINS, ET

SUBJECT: AFCC OF THE NORTH

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1. IL QUOTIDIANO ERITREA OF 3 AUGUST CARRIED AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF ATO AHMED ABERRA'S ARREST. THE AFCC CHARGED HIM WITH DISSEMINATING FALSE INFORMATION TO FOREIGN RESIDENTS, AND SAID HIS ARREST SHOULD SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE TO OTHERS. COMMENT: ATO AHMED HAS A REPUTATION OF BEING A GOVERNMENT INFORMANT.

2. IL QUOTIDIANO ERITREO OF 6 AUGUST CARRIED AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FUNERAL OF ATO TECCA CAHSAI, WHO WAS KILLED BY "UNKNOWN PERSONS" SATURDAY NIGHT. COMMENT: IT IS THOUGHT THAT HIS MURDERERS MAY HAVE BEEN ELF, SINCE IN THE PAST HE IS REPORTED TO HAVE PROVIDED INFORMATION TO THE POLICE LEADING TO THE ARREST OF SOME ELF.

3. IL QUOTIDIANO OF 7 AUGUST CARRIED AN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE AFCC PROHIBITING THE PERFORMANCE OF LIVE PLAYS. THE AFCC CHARGED THAT THE THEMES OF SOME RECENT PLAYS PROMOTE DIVISIONS AMONG THE PEOPLE. COMMENT: THE AFCC OF THE NORTH EVIDENTLY WILL NOT COUNTENANCE OPPOSITION TO ITS VIEW OF A  
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